

Hope in the Face of Death

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 - a. Jacob's focus on the next world
49:29; 35:29; 25:8; Hebrews 11:9-10; Jn 17:14
 - b. We are in the world but not of this world
passing on his hope in God's covenant promises
- II. It is proper to grieve at the death of a loved one 49:33-50:1
 - a. We grieve, because death is our enemy
Gen chp 5; 3:17-19
 - b. We grieve because death separates us
- III. Though we grieve, we of all people have hope in God's promises
 - a. We must exercise hope in God's promises by faith
Heb 11:39-40; Gen 35:10; 1 Cor 15:19; Mt 6:19-21
 - b. We must pass on our hope
1 Pet 3:13-15
 - c. After a season of grief, It is time to move on:
 - 1. Be still & Know that God is God (Sovereign)
Psa 46:1-3, 10-11
 - 2. Give Thanks
1 Thes 5:18; Psa 23:4
 - 3. Refuse to Live in Self-Pity
1 Pet 2:21
 - 4. Accept One's Loneliness
 - 5. Offer One's Loneliness to God
 - 6. Do Something for Somebody Else
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